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ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSION ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Draft provisional agenda and documentation for the first session of the commission on crime prevention and criminal justice

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In resolution 46/152, the General Assembly decided to recommend that a commission on crime prevention and criminal justice be established as a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council, which would hold its inaugural meeting during 1992, and recommended that the meeting of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control scheduled for February 1992 be cancelled and that the funds necessary for the work of the new commission be made available within the budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

2. In the same resolution, the General Assembly requested the Economic and Social Council, at its organizational session for 1992:

(a) To dissolve the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control;

(b) To establish the commission on crime prevention and criminal justice as a new functional commission of the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the statement of principles and programme of action annexed to the resolution;

(c) To endorse the role and functions of the United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders, in accordance with

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the recommendations contained in the statement of principles and programme of action.

3. The attention of the Council is drawn to paragraph 2 (f) (i) of resolution 1988/77, whereby it decided that, in proposing future calendars of conferences, the Secretary-General should ensure that meetings of the subsidiary bodies of the Council end at least eight weeks before the session of the Council at which their reports were to be considered. Accordingly, should the Council decide to establish a commission on crime prevention and criminal justice, it may wish to decide that the inaugural session of the commission will be held at Vienna from 21 to 30 April 1992.

4. It will be recalled that in resolution 1979/41, the Council decided that the provisional agendas for its subsidiary bodies, together with the list of requested documentation, should be submitted to the Council for review in order, inter alia, to establish greater consistency between the documentation of those bodies and the overall documentation requested by the Council and other subsidiary bodies and greater consistency between the requests for documentation and the medium-term plan and the programme budget.

5. The draft provisional agenda for the first session of the commission on crime prevention and criminal justice (see annex) has been prepared in accordance with General Assembly resolution 46/152, with an indication of the documents to be submitted under each agenda item and the legislative authority for their preparation.

Annex

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE FIRST SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Ministerial Meeting on the Creation of an Effective United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 46/152:

   (a) Consideration of the experience of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control;

   (b) Organization and functioning of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice;

   (c) Consideration of proposed revisions to programme 29 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997;

   (d) Implementation of other recommendations and conclusions of the Ministerial Meeting.

   Documentation

   Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Ministerial Meeting on the Creation of an Effective United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme (General Assembly resolution 46/152)

   Proposed revisions to programme 29 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

   Progress report of the Secretary-General on United Nations activities in crime prevention and criminal justice

   Report of the Secretary-General on the progress of activities of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute and the United Nations regional institutes for crime prevention and criminal justice

4. Strengthening existing international cooperation in crime prevention and criminal justice, including technical cooperation in developing countries, with special emphasis on combating organized crime.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on strengthening existing international cooperation in crime prevention and criminal justice, including technical cooperation in developing countries, with special emphasis on combating organized crime (General Assembly resolutions 45/107, 45/121 and 45/123)

5. Preparations for the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on preparations for the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (General Assembly resolutions 32/60 and 46/152)

6. Provisional agenda for the second session of the Commission.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on the draft provisional agenda and documentation for the second session of the Commission

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission.